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| For:                 | "Synthesis of Condensed Phases | ) |                           |
|                      | Containing Polycyclic Aromatic | ) |                           |
|                      | Hydrocarbons, Fullerenes, and  | ) |                           |
|                      | Nanotubes"                     | ) |                           |

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2001, please consider the amendments and remarks below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first (incomplete) paragraph on Page 3 with the amended paragraph shown below.

formed in flames, and that the polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons may be precursors of soot in flames (see for example, Dobbins *et. al.*, Combust. Sci. and Tech., Vol. 121, pg 103-121,

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